

REMARKS

Claims 1-35 were examined and acted upon in the aforesaid Office Action. Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-11, 13, 15, 19-22, 26-29 and 31-35 were rejected and claims 2, 5, 12, 14, 16-18, 23-25 and 30 were objected to. No new claims have been added and claims 2, 23 and 32-35 have been canceled, leaving claims 1, 3-22, and 24-31 for further consideration. The claims objected to were all deemed allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claim 2, which depended from claim 1, was objected to. Claim 1 has been amended to include the matter of old claim 2, which has been canceled. Accordingly, it appears that amended claim 1 is now in allowable condition.

Claim 3 depended from old claim 1 and was rejected, along with old claim 1. Inasmuch as claim 1 has been amended to include allowable matter and inasmuch as claim 3 depends from claim 1, it appears that claim 3 should now be deemed allowable.

Similarly, claim 4 depends from claim 3 and would appear to now be allowable, at least through dependency.

Claim 5 stands objected to. Claim 5 depended from claim 1 and by amendment herein has now been combined

with claim 1 in an amended claim 5. Inasmuch as claim 1 in its current form has been viewed as allowable. It appears that claim 5 would now be deemed allowable.

Claims 6-11 stand rejected. All depend directly or ultimately from claim 1. In view thereof, it appears that claims 6-11 are now in allowable condition.

Claim 12 stands objected to. Claim 12 depended from claim 1 and by amendment herein has now been combined with claim 1 in an amended claim 12 which appears to be in allowable condition.

Claim 13 stands rejected but depends from amended claim 1 and would appear to now be allowable, at least through dependency.

Claim 14 stands objected to. Claim 14 depended from claim 13 which, in turn, depended from claim 1. Amended claim 14 includes the matter of old claims 1, 13 and 14 and would therefore appear to be allowable.

Claim 15 has been objected to, but depends from claim 13 which is believed to have been rendered allowable. Accordingly, it is believed that claim 15 is now allowable, at least through dependency.

Claim 16, which depended from claim 13, was objected to. Amended claim 16 includes the matter of

new claims 1, 13 and 16 and should therefore be deemed allowable.

Claim 17 stands objected to. Claim 17 depended from claim 16, which depended from claim 13, which depended from claim 1. Amended claim 16 includes the matter from new claim 1 and would therefore appear to be in allowable condition.

Claim 18 stands objected to. Claim 18 depended from claim 16, which depended from claim 13, which depended from claim 1. Amended claim 18 includes the matter from new claims 1 and 16, and would appear to be in condition for allowance.

Claims 19 and 20 both stand rejected but depend from claim 1, which has been rendered allowable by combination with old claim 2. In view thereof, it appears that claims 19 and 20 should now be deemed allowable.

Claim 21 has been rejected, but claim 23, which depended from claim 21, has been objected to. Claim 21 has been amended to include the matter of old claim 23 and would therefore appear to be allowable. Claim 23 has been canceled.

Claim 22 stands rejected but depends from claim 21 which has been rendered allowable by combination with

claim 23. Accordingly, it appears that claim 22 should be deemed allowable at least through dependency.

Claim 24, which depended from claim 23, has been objected to. Claim 24 has been retained in dependent form, but has been made dependent from claim 21, which now includes the matter of old claim 23. It therefore appears that claim 24 should be deemed allowable.

Claim 25, which depended from old claim 21, stands objected to. Claim 25 has been amended to include the matter of old claim 21 and is believed to now be in allowable form.

Claims 26-29 all stand rejected, but all depend from claim 21 which has been rendered allowable by combination with claim 23. It is believed that claims 26-29 are now allowable.

Claim 30 stands objected to but deemed allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 30 depended from claim 29 which in turn, depended from claim 21. Claim 30 has been amended to include the matters of old claims 21 and 29. In view thereof, it appears that claim 30 has been rendered allowable.

Claim 31 stands rejected, but has been amended to depend from claim 30. Accordingly, claim 31 should be deemed allowable, at least through dependency.

Claims 32-35 have been canceled.

In view of the amendments to the claims, it is believed that claims 1, 3-22, and 24-31 have been placed in condition for allowance.

A review of the application revealed several minor errors in the specification which have been corrected hereinabove.

There was also noticed an error in FIG. 4. A replacement sheet is submitted herewith, showing reference character 42 replacing reference character 4.

In the event that any fees may be required in this matter, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 16-0221.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,



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